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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE MATTER OF:

APPLICANT: SCHON

EXAMINER: KYLE M. RIDDLE

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FOR: DEVICE FOR ACTUATING THE CHARGE-CYCLING VALVES IN

RECIPROCATING INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES

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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Action of October 17, 2006, please amend as follows: